BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2001-44-C - ORDER NO. 2001-731

AUGUST 14, 2001

IN RE: Application of Mercury Long Distance, Inc. for a) ORDER
Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to) MODIFYING
Provide Resold Interexchange Telecommunications) PREFILING
Services within the State of South Carolina.) DEADLINES

This matter is before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for the purpose of modifying and re-establishing pre-filing deadlines for testimony and exhibits. Previously, by Order No. 2001-447, this Commission had established pre-filing deadlines in this Docket. In furtherance of administrative expediency by this Commission, the hearing date has been rescheduled and so shall the prefiling dates. Pursuant to 26 S.C. Regs. 103-869(C)(Supp. 2000), the Commission hereby orders that twenty-five copies of the testimony and exhibits of the Applicant shall be pre-filed on or before September 12, 2001, and that twenty-five copies of the testimony and exhibits of the Commission Staff and/or any intervenors shall be pre-filed on or before September 26, 2001. (Material may be post-marked on these dates.) Also, any rebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be pre-filed on or before October 3, 2001, and any surrebuttal testimony and exhibits shall be pre-filed on or before October 5, 2001. (Material must be in the offices of the Commission and in the hands of the parties on these dates.) It should be noted that acceptance into the record of surrebuttal testimony and exhibits is subject to the discretion of the Commission. Further, the Applicant shall

pre-file with its testimony and exhibits twenty-five copies of any script(s) employed by

the Applicant or its telemarketers for the solicitation and sale of its long distance services

in other jurisdictions, or an outline of the Applicant's telemarketing procedures and/or

training materials for telemarketers. In addition, parties shall serve their pre-filed

testimony and exhibits (and/or scripts or other materials) on all other parties of record as

required by the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All parties are reminded that all

witnesses must be present during any hearing in this matter at the call of the Chairman, or

the Commission may decline to allow the witnesses' testimony to be read into the record

of the proceeding, and/or may decline to allow the witnesses' exhibits to be entered into

the evidence of the case.

Please take note that any party requesting modification of this schedule must file a

request for such modification with the Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ATTEST:

Executive Director

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